

# **VFW Riders of Missouri**

## **Article I Name**

**The name of this activity unit will be known as the VFW Riders of Missouri.**

## **Article II Purpose**

**The purpose of this activity is to be a social and civic association for VFW members and all Auxiliary members in good standings.**

## **Article III Membership**

**Section (1) All members must belong to a Missouri VFW Post or Auxiliary. You do not have to ride or own a motorcycle.**

**Section (2) All members must be in good standing by having their VFW or Auxiliary dues paid up.**

**Section (3) Only VFW members will wear the VFW Riders Maltese Cross Patch. Auxiliary members will wear the Auxiliary Riders Patch.**

## **Article IV Officers**

**Section (1) Officers will consist of the following:**

- 1. State Motorcycle Chairman**
- 2. District Captains**
- 3. Post Lieutenants or Post Chairman**

**Section (2) The State Commander will appoint the Motorcycle Chairman. Each district will appoint a District Captain. Each Post will appoint a Post Lieutenant or Post Chairman.**

**Section (3) If a district or post has more than one individual wanting to hold these positions, members from the district will vote on a captain. Post members will vote on a Lieutenant or chairman.**

## **Article V Duties of Officers**

### **Section (1) State Chairman**

- 1. Will notify captains and lieutenants of major state rides**
- 2. Will assist in coordination of rides when asked by any member**
- 3. Will meet with captains, when ever possible, upon their request**
- 4. Will organize the annual Vander Clute Memorial Ride to the VFW National Convention or appoint someone to do so.**

### **Section (2) Captains**

- 1. Will assist his or her lieutenants / chairman in coordination of rides**
- 2. Will host at least one ride a year in support of their District Commanders Special Project**
- 3. Meet with lieutenants / chairman during their district meetings to discuss upcoming events and coordinate rides**

### **Section (3) Lieutenants / Chairman**

- 1. Notify captains and other lieutenants of rides you are hosting**

## **Article VI Meetings**

**Section (1) The State Motorcycle Chairman will have two meetings a year to be held at the C of A conference. All Ride Captains from the Districts and Lieutenants from the Posts should attend.**

### **Section (2) Order of Business**

- 1. Introduction of guests and new members**
- 2. Minutes of previous meeting**
- 3. Reports of Officers and Committees**
- 4. Old Business**
- 5. New Business**
- 6. Good and Welfare of Comrades**

## **Article VII Amendments**

**Section (1) All proposed changes to the Missouri VFW Riders By – Laws shall be presented in writing to the Director.**

**Section (2) The director will notify all captains and chairmen of proposed changes no later than 10 days prior to the next meeting at C of A. (Counsel of Administration)**

**Section (3) Changes to the By – Laws will be discussed and voted on at the Missouri VFW Riders Meeting at C of A.**

## **Article VIII Conditions**

**As a condition precedent to the adoption, approval and continuation of these by- laws or any subsequent amendments thereto shall be the understanding and agreement of the officers and members of the Missouri VFW Riders Club that they will at all times be amenable to and in compliance with the General Laws of the VFW and the By – Laws of the VFW International and subject to the supervision of the Board of Officers of their VFW Post as required by the VFW General Laws.**